Precipitation Summary 01/25-26/13 National Weather Service Grand Rapids, MI

Lake Effect Snow, from early Friday January 25th through mid-morning Saturday the 26th, brought significant snowfall to areas between US-131 and the Lake Michigan shore north of South Haven.

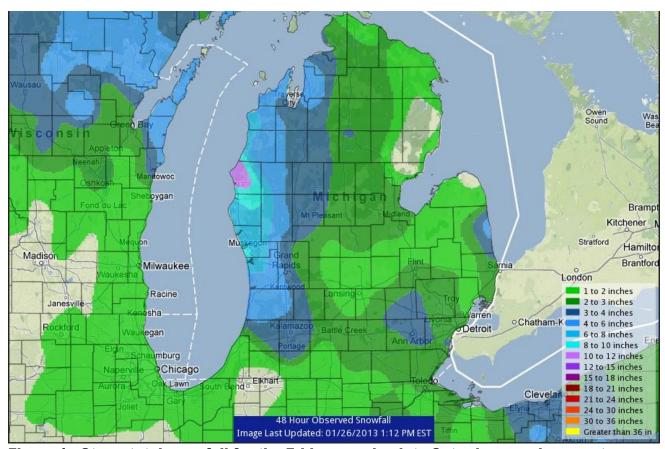


Figure 1. Storm total snowfall for the Friday morning into Saturday morning event.

A nearly stationary south to north snow band set up from late Friday morning into Friday evening west of US-131 north of South Haven and remained there into the early evening. That resulted in 5 to 12 inches of snow in the lake shore counties north of South Haven. Muskegon had a daily record snowfall of 9.4 inches on the 25th, besting the 9.0 inches from 1924. During the evening, the wind shifted from the south to the west and that pushed the snow inland across the remainer of the area. Mostly light snow fell during the evening across the reminder of Southwest Michigan.

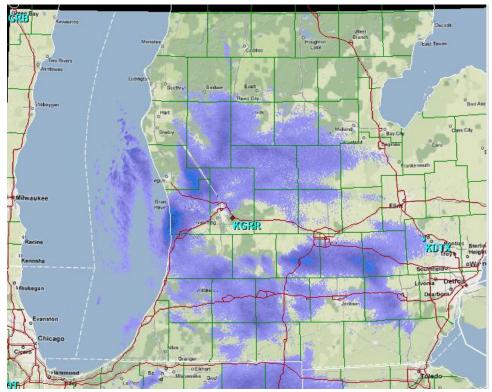


Figure 2. The Grand Rapids radar image at 9 AM Friday morning. Note the light snow falling across most of the area.

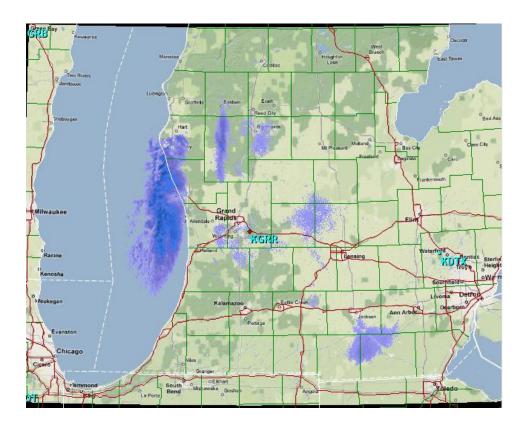


Figure 3. The Grand Rapids radar from 11 AM Friday morning. The area of light snow has now moved out and a band of heavy lake effect snow has developed west of US-31 coming on shore near Muskegon.

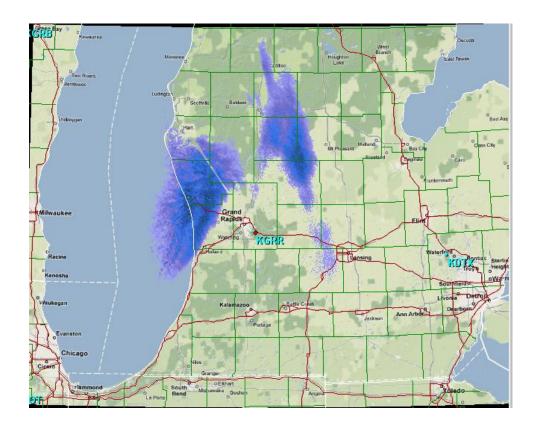


Figure 4. The Grand Rapids radar from 1 PM Friday afternoon. The heavy lake effect snow band has slowly spread east across Muskegon and Ottawa Counties. The snow band actually continued north of Ludington but the radar beam was going over the tops of the snow echoes.

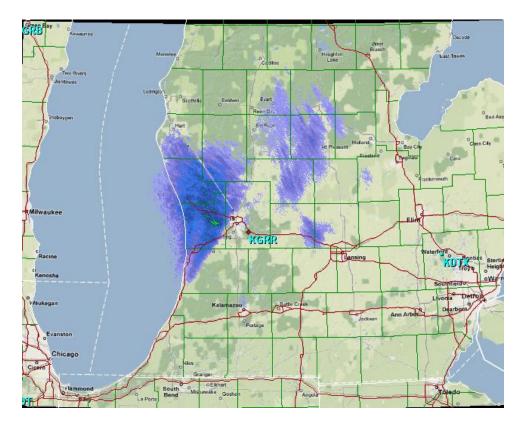


Figure 5. The Grand Rapids radar from 3 PM Friday afternoon. The heavy lake effect snow band continued over the Lake Shore counties north of South Haven but has now spread into western Newaygo and Kent Counties. The snow band actually continued north of Ludington but the beam was going over the tops of the snow echoes.

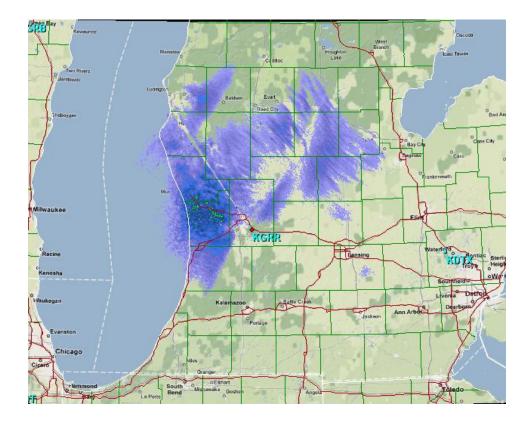


Figure 6. The Grand Rapids radar from 5 PM Friday afternoon. The heavy lake effect snow band continued over the Lake Shore counties north of South Haven but has now spread across Newaygo and central Kent Counties. The snow band actually continued north of Ludington.

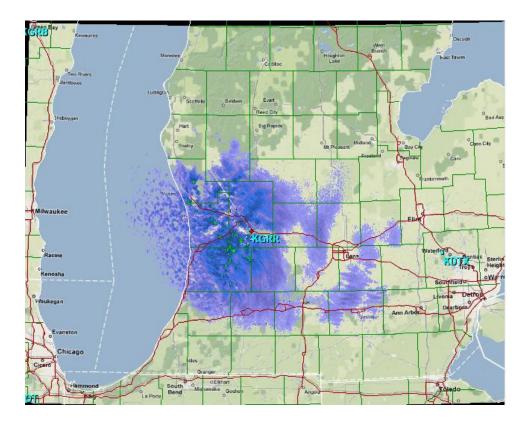


Figure 7. The Grand Rapids radar from 7 PM Friday afternoon. The heavy lake effect snow band continued over the Lake Shore counties north of South Haven but has now spread across Kent and Barry Counties. The snow band actually continued north of Ludington.

Below are the snowfall reports we have from the various counties from this event:

PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT SPOTTER REPORTS NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE GRAND RAPIDS MI 636 PM EST SAT JAN 26 2013

...BARRY COUNTY...

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STORM TOTAL SNOWFALL REPORTS 01/25-01/26

LOCATION OBSERVED TIME/DATE
VALUE OF OBSERVATION LAT LON
MICHIGAN

...ALLEGAN COUNTY...
2 W WAYLAND

4.5 M 700 AM 01/26 42.67N 85.68W

HASTINGS	2.3 M	700 AM 01/26	42.65N	85.29W
CLINTON COUNTY 4 NW LANSING	1.2 M	700 AM 01/26	42.78N	84.59W
EATON COUNTY 4 WSW LANSING	1.2 M	700 AM 01/26	42.72N	84.63W
GRATIOT COUNTY NE BRECKENRIDGE	1.7 M	700 AM 01/26	43.41N	84.47W
IONIA COUNTY 2 SSW IONIA	1.0 M	800 AM 01/26	42.96N	85.08W
JACKSON COUNTY 5 S CONCORD 2 ENE BROOKLYN		809 AM 01/26 700 AM 01/26		
KALAMAZOO COUNTY 4 SSE OSHTEMO	3.5 M	805 AM 01/26	42.21N	85.66W
KENT COUNTY 1 ESE ADA GERALD R FORD ARPT 5 WSW ROCKFORD EAST GRAND RAPIDS GRANDVILLE	2.5 M 3.3 M	700 AM 01/26 700 AM 01/26 700 AM 01/26 700 AM 01/26 700 AM 01/26	42.89N 43.09N 42.94N	85.53W 85.64W 85.61W
MASON COUNTY 2 SE SCOTTVILLE	10.1 M	700 AM 01/26	43.93N	86.25W
MECOSTA COUNTY BIG RAPIDS	2.3 M	700 AM 01/26	43.70N	85.48W
MUSKEGON COUNTY 4 S MUSKEGON	9.7 M	700 AM 01/26	43.17N	86.24W
NEWAYGO COUNTY 4 WSW FREMONT	5.0 M	700 AM 01/26	43.44N	86.02W
OCEANA COUNTY 3 WSW HART	6.8 M	700 AM 01/26	43.68N	86.42W
OTTAWA COUNTY HOLLAND 2 WSW WALKER WSW ALLENDALE		630 AM 01/26 810 AM 01/26 730 AM 01/26	42.99N	85.81W
VAN BUREN COUNTY 4 NNE PAW PAW	2.5 M	700 AM 01/26	42.27N	85.86W